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Subject: Nutrient Standards Guidance document

Hi Tina;

I worked quite a bit today on updating the guidance document. It now contains the following sections, which I think cover the various topics that have come up at recent NWG meetings:

Section 2.0: For permittees operating under a general nutrient standards variance, this section provides the defined effluent limits to be met over several permit cycles of the general variance

Section 3.0: Provides guidance for the development of Individual Nutrient Standards Variances for public-sector entities, based on economic factors;

Section 4.0: Provides guidance for the development of Individual Nutrient Standards Variances for private-sector entities, based on economic factors;

Section 5.0: Outlines a streamlined approach for developing site-specific numeric nutrient criteria for streams or rivers where full biological support is demonstrated but where the existing nutrient concentrations exceed applicable nutrient standards; and

Section 6.0: Provides a detailed, data-intensive modeling approach for developing site-specific numeric nutrient criteria. This approach lends itself to the development of individual variances for dischargers.

I can provide a draft if you would like or perhaps this outline is OK for now. Let me know if I have forgotten anything major.

Thanks, Mike